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Delta Stewardship Council  
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Dear Council Members,

I am writing in strong opposition to the upcoming vote by the Delta Stewardship Council that would add the WaterFix conveyance language to the Delta Plan. This would allow the WaterFix tunnel project to proceed. It is my understanding that the Council has a mandate under the Delta Reform Act to reduce reliance on the Delta, invest in existing levees, protect fish, and stop the damage from operation of the state and federal water pumps near Tracy. It is my further understanding that the conveyance and storage amendments do nothing to actually require that these local water uses be protected.

I am one of the many thousands of fishermen and women that need a healthy Delta if the salmon, striped bass and black bass are to survive. In 2016, the National Marine Fishery Service completed a biological assessment of the impact that the WaterFix project would have on the salmon and smelt. That assessment was peer reviewed, and it concluded there is significant evidence of adverse impacts on the species (salmon and smelt). It appears that risk is being ignored by the Council..

You are sworn to protect the Delta. Please do so by rejecting the conveyance language. If the conveyance language is approved, I would urge that a lawsuit be filed against the Council.

Thank you,

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